

PRIVATEER PERSONALS.

PRIVATEER TOWNSHIP, S. C., Oct. 20, '96.

A new woman's party is something new and novel for Privateer, and such a "party" was the feature of the Amusement Club at Miss Calley Wells's last Friday night. To say the least, the experiences of that night were unique to those of the masculine gender who took part. Miss Talulah Ramsey was manager and was assisted by the following committee of judges, Misses Matilda Dwight, Mabel Beckham, Carrie Cain, Una Wells and Sudie Furman. These young ladies passed their judgment on the work done by the young men. The names of the young men who were to take part, were called out and the young man who did best received a prize.

We could fill at least half a column telling about the amusing features of the evening, but that would make this letter too long. We think washing and wiping the dishes caused more amusement than anything else. A table was placed in the passage, and those who were engaged in the work, would assemble around the table. It was certainly amusing to watch the looks of intense earnestness and gravity which were on the faces of those whose wrote the recipes for making bread, cooking chicken and making coffee. Whether we of the masculine gender acquitted ourselves well or badly, it is not for this correspondent to say, but judging by what we saw the other night, we must confess that we have a mild fear that if the sterner sex had the entire management of the domestic affairs of Privateer Township for the next six months, things would be managed in a manner both novel and wonderful.

As the Charleston Baptist Association will be in session next week, the next meeting of the Amusement Club will not be held until Friday night, Nov. 6. The place of meeting will be the Furman residence.

The Rev. G. T. Gresham, and Messrs. Matt Ramsey, Richard Tisdale, Whitfield Wells, and Dr. Richard Furman have been appointed delegates from Bethel Church to the Charleston Baptist Association, which body is soon to meet with this church, commencing Oct. 29 and ending Nov. 1.

Speaking of delegates, we will mention that at the recent meeting of the Santee Association, Mr. Willie Cain was appointed one of the delegates to the Baptist State Convention, also that Mr. Talley Ingram of this township was a delegate to the Santee Association from the Packville Baptist Church, in Clarendon, and Mr. Gresham from the Home Branch Church, in the same county. He is the pastor there as well as at Bethel.

Miss Helen Cain has returned from her visit to Georgia and Mr. R. T. Hall, of Florida, is visiting his brother-in-law, Mr. Burgess Jenkins.

Last week we visited an old lady of this township for the purpose of writing an account of her for publication. This was Mrs. Millie Pritchard, who lives with her son, Mr. Tom Pritchard, in the northern part of the township. Her father, Mr. Brian Alsbrook, was from North Carolina, he was born in 1777 and died in 1872, he received his second eyesight and for ten years before death did not wear glasses. Mrs. Pritchard has herself reached a good old age, being 84 last month. She can sew and knit, but is troubled with rheumatism, otherwise her health appears to be good. She lives about ten miles from where she was born. She is the widow of Mr. William Pritchard, who was a member of Coker's Company, Jenkins Brigade, during the Confederate war and who died in 1863. Mrs. Pritchard receives a pension.

Mr. Tom Pritchard is one of Privateer's patriarchs, being the father of twelve living children, all of whom, except two, live in this township. During the war he was a member of Co. H, 5 South Carolina Cavalry, and like his mother, he is also a pensioner. We don't suppose such instances as these can often be found, where a parent and child live in the same house and both receive Confederate pensions.

At Mr. Pritchard's we dined at a table which has a rather interesting history. It was made by Mr. Brian Alsbrook, when he was in the 94th year of his age. In the work he was assisted by a little great grandson. The table is a neat piece of workmanship and is 4 1/2 feet long by 2 feet 10 inches. The legs are prettily scolloped. This table has been in constant use as a dining table in Mr. Pritchard's family.

Mr. O. E. Hodge, whose death has already been mentioned in the Daily Item, was a well known citizen of this township. His wife, who was Miss Susanna Broadway, preceded him to the grave.

Last week Mr. Joe Elias Hodge, a first cousin of Mr. O. E. Hodge, also passed away. He was a man of striking appearance and was about 42 years old. His wife, who was Miss Adeline Richardson, with one child, survives him.

McD. F.

POPE COMES TO TOWN.

The Candidate for Governor Speaks to a Large Crowd of Negroes.

Dr. Sampson Pope and Ex-Congressman George W. Murray came to town Thursday morning and when they landed on Sumter soil from the Charleston train they were welcomed by a crowd of several hundred negroes and a brass band that discoursed a wheezy and conglomerate sort of melody that made one think involuntarily of the kaleidoscopic political career of the unutterable and unaccountable Samps. The band paraded around and up and down Main street for some little time and then when the crowd had been churned up enough it was collected in a compact mass in the rear of the Court House square, while Murray and Pope made their speeches. There was considerable brass music and some enthusiasm, but nothing new was said by either Pope or Murray. They both wish to keep the negroes stirred up and they both want office. Pope talked much of how he was defrauded out of the Governorship by the Evans clique of Reformers, and from this branched off to tell about how the negroes are cheated all the time and have been cheated.

Murray talked of the registration law and how it should be fought in the courts and knocked out.

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ROW IN MAYESVILLE.

Riotous Negroes Resist the Police and Make Threats.

On Saturday night Mayesville was thrown into a state of turmoil and excitement, and for several hours the law officers of the town and the white citizens, who supported the officers, momentarily expected a bloody conflict with a mob of negroes who had armed themselves with guns, pistols and razors and defied arrest.

The disturbance was started by a negro named Bradley, who provoked a difficulty with a young white man by cursing him in an outrageous manner on the streets. Bradley was arrested and his friends collected and forcibly released him from the custody of the town marshal. A number of extra policemen were sworn in and steps were immediately taken to arrest Bradley and other negroes who had interfered with the marshal. The negroes collected in crowds and made threats of burning the guard house and doing violence to any and all persons who interfered with them. The threats did not intimidate the special policemen, however, and four of the ring leaders among the negroes were arrested and put in the guard house which was protected by a guard throughout the night. Sunday everything had quieted down and no further trouble was anticipated. Other arrests will be made and all who were responsible for the row will be made to feel the hand of the law.

This is the second disturbance the unruly negroes of Mayesville have created within the last two months and it is high time they were severely punished, as such lawlessness is intolerable in a law abiding community.

The disturbance at Mayesville was settled Monday without further trouble. Those who participated in the riot Saturday night were each fined \$3 by the Intendant of the town.

Sheriff McKagen Replies.

Sheriff McKagen through his attorney presented the following reply to the return of W. H. Commander, which throws some additional light on the case brought against Corner Commander for not turning over the funds in his hands:

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF SUMTER.

In the Court of General Sessions The State in re William H. Commander, as late Sheriff of Sumter County.

Personally appeared before me George P. McKagen, who being duly sworn, says: That he is at present Sheriff of Sumter County, and succeeded the above named William H. Commander in his return to the rule herein, says, "that while he was in possession of said office and conducting the duties of said office he has at various times received small sums of money amounting at the time he turned the office over to his successor, Mr. Geo. P. McKagen, the present Sheriff to \$37 87; that he offered to pay the same and make settlement with the present Sheriff, but the present Sheriff refused to receive the same, and gave as a reason that the books showed other money's due the office from the late Sheriff, M. Sanders, and he was advised not to receive any from this respondent short of a full settlement of money shown by the books to be due by respondent and the late Sheriff together."

Now in reply thereto deponent says: That the said statement is untrue insofar as it states that deponent refused to receive any money from the said William H. Commander and the reasons assigned therefor. Deponent further says, that he repeatedly demanded of the said William H. Commander, the money in his hands belonging or pertaining to the office of Sheriff, and that he has never refused to receive any amount whatsoever, however small, on account of any alleged balance due; nor has deponent refused to receive any amount of money whatsoever, from the said William H. Commander, for any cause.

Geo. P. McKagen.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 16th day of October, A. D., 1896.

Shepard Nash, Clerk C. C. & G. S.

Fra Diavolo Postponed.

The presentation of the Opera "Fra Diavolo" by the musicians of this city, under the patronage of the King Daughters has been postponed indefinitely. The postponement is due to the inability of Mr. Glover, of Columbia to train the singers in time for the production of the opera on the date first fixed. He had other engagements that made it impossible for him to give the time required to perfect the arrangements and train those who were to take part in the opera.

Accidentally Shot.

A few days ago Tom Troublefield who had been duck hunting near Camden Crossing started for home as the night freight passed, and in attempting to board the train, fell to Wedgefield, missed his footing, falling over cross ties and as he did so the whole load was discharged in the back of his right hand, tearing it up in a fearful manner. It is hoped that his hand can be saved.

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Wedgefield News Items.

WEDGEFIELD, S. C., Oct. 19.—Yesterday was Children's Day at the Baptist Church. A large crowd was present and all the children did exceptionally well, everybody enjoyed the exercises immensely.

Mr. Tom Troublefield's hand is doing as well as possible under the circumstances, and he stands a good chance of retaining it.

Cotton picking for this year is about a thing of the past, and farmers are endeavoring to plow in their oats, but the ground is so dry and hard very little is being accomplished in that direction.

A very good crop of corn is being rapidly housed. Pears are very short compared with the abundant crop last year. Praxine hay is rather plentiful but not near so abundant as last year.

NOTICE.

I HAVE BOUGHT AN INTEREST IN THE business of Witherspoon Bros. & Co., where I will be pleased to see and serve my friends and the public generally.

We have recently added to our stock, and now have a complete line of Furniture and Office on hand. We are also receiving new goods daily, which we will take pleasure in showing—no trouble to show goods. Call and see us at the old Mathieson building, Main Street, one door north of the Nixon House. We will make it to your advantage to do so.

Respectfully,

JNO. E. WHILDEN.

FEDERAL ELECTION NOTICE.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, SUMTER COUNTY.

AN ELECTION WILL BE HELD ON Tuesday, November 3, 1896, at the legally established voting precincts in the County of Sumter, South Carolina, for a Representative of the 7th Congressional District in the 55th Congress of the United States, and for the unexpired term of the 54th Congress and for Presidential Electors.

The polls shall be opened at 7 o'clock in the forenoon and close at 4 o'clock in the afternoon of the day of election, and shall be kept open continuously during these hours, without intermission or adjournment; and the Managers of the respective precincts shall administer to each person offering to vote, an oath that he is qualified to vote at this election according to the Constitution of this State and that he had not voted during this election.

At each precinct a space or enclosure such as the Managers shall deem proper and sufficient, shall be raised off or otherwise provided with an opening for the entrance of the voter at one end or side and an opening at the other for his exit, as a polling place. But one voter shall be allowed to enter any polling place at one time, and no one except the Managers shall be allowed to speak to the voter while in the polling place casting his vote.

The Managers of the Federal Election shall not hold in the same apartment or in conjunction with the Managers of the State election, but shall be at such convenient distance as the Managers may deem proper.

In case of the failure of the Managers to attend any one or more Managers is authorized to appoint other persons to fill and complete the Board of Managers; and in case of failure of all of the Managers to attend, then the voters of such precinct are authorized to select a Board of Managers from among their number.

The following named persons have been appointed to manage said election by the Board of Federal Commissioners of Election for Sumter County, to wit:

LIST OF MANAGERS FOR SUMTER COUNTY FEDERAL ELECTION.

Sumter No. 1—J. B. Roach, Edgar Skinner, and Geo. W. Reardon.

Sumter No. 2—R. D. Mitchell, T. S. Stuckey, and M. H. Fields.

Sumter No. 3—A. D. Moses, E. W. Hurst and F. C. Stoner.

Sumter No. 4—M. C. Kavanaugh, H. B. Bloom and A. B. Hayes.

Sumter No. 5—J. A. Boykin, J. W. Belvin and Friday Kershaw.

Sumter No. 6—W. H. Seales, L. R. Jennings and R. H. Roach.

Sumter No. 7—J. L. Gillis, T. O. Sanders Jr. and Prince James.

Sumter No. 8—F. J. Deschamps, J. M. Spears and W. L. Dennis.

Sumter No. 9—E. F. Burrows, R. P. Stackhouse and P. B. Bruner.

Sumter No. 10—R. B. Muldrow, Ed. D. Smith and A. Middleton.

Sumter No. 11—W. A. Tallon, B. F. Jones and J. P. Alston.

Sumter No. 12—E. A. F. Chandler, W. J. Keels and Gadsden T. Evans.

Sumter No. 13—G. W. Mahoney, James G. White, and Lawrence W. Frierson.

Sumter No. 14—J. L. Neil, Sumter D. Richardson and R. D. Campbell.

Sumter No. 15—E. Belvin, R. O. Rembert and Wesley Gambel.

Sumter No. 16—Peter Mellett, Scriven Moore and R. H. Richardson.

Sumter No. 17—E. T. Richtbourg, A. A. Brearley and Legrand James.

Sumter No. 18—S. D. M. LaCoste, E. M. Cooper and Wesley Williams.

Sumter No. 19—L. Burgess Jenkins, W. J. Ardis and Daniel Rich.

The different Boards of Managers will meet at once and organize by electing one of their number chairman, who is hereby notified and required to meet the Commissioners of Election, at Sumter Court House, on Saturday, October 31st, 1896, for the purpose of being sworn in, receive the boxes, poll lists, registration books, etc., for conducting said election.

The Managers of election are requested to bring in the election returns and deliver same to the Commissioners, on Wednesday, November 4th, 1896.

The Managers are also requested to furnish the Commissioner with their per diem and mileage at the same time, as this will save much delay in getting the pay for their services.

THOS. G. McLEOD.

Chairman.

W. A. JAMES.

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Federal Commissioners of Election for Sumter County.

October 19th, 1896.

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NOTICE OF STATE ELECTION

And Appointment of Managers of the Same.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN election will be held in Sumter County, S. C., on the third day of November, 1896, for the following State officers:

1. Governor and Lieutenant Governor. 2. Other State Officers. 3. Circuit Solicitor 3d Judicial Circuit. 4. Members of the House of Representatives. 5. Clerk of Court. 6. Sheriff. 7. County Superintendent of Schools. 8. County Supervisor. 9. Coroner.

The following persons have been appointed Managers at the several voting precincts to conduct said election:

SUMTER PRECINCTS

Ward 1—J. M. Reames, J. H. Darr, S. M. Pringle.

Ward 2—E. M. Pitta, S. F. Flowers, A. P. Vison.

Ward 3—R. S. Bradwell, Chas. Thames, F. A. Folsom.

Ward 4—C. E. Stubbs, J. M. Wingate, R. K. Wilder.

Sumterburg—P. F. Mellett, Wm. M. Sanders, DeSaussure Bull.

Providence—J. E. Gaillard, J. Edwin Rembert, C. W. Boykin.

Rafting Creek—J. B. DuPre, T. Wilder James, T. J. McLeod.

Bishopville—J. P. Kilgore, C. S. James, W. R. Dixon.

Manville—L. L. Baker, L. F. Montgomery, D. A. Stuckey.

Bossards—M. J. Michau, J. M. Dick, T. J. Baker.

Mayesville—J. N. Hudson, J. W. Rhodes, R. H. DeChamps.

Lynchburg—J. A. Rhame, J. D. Clark, M. L. Keels.

Shiloh—R. A. Frierson, T. B. Rhame, A. H. Truluck.

Concord—J. M. Brogdon, J. J. Brunsen, J. J. Britton.

Privateer—W. O. Cain, J. M. Jackson, W. E. Kolb.

Smithville—J. D. Evans, Geo. W. Jones, W. H. McEachern.

Wedgefield—Frenn Mellett, Wm. B. Troublefield, W. P. Weldon.

Reids Mill—M. R. Mathis, W. M. Reid, J. J. Shaw.

St. Charles—W. E. Green, J. Erving Wilson, J. W. Montgomery.

Bloom Hill—R. N. Owens, Olden Harrin, Geo. T. Geddings.

The following provisions of the election laws of South Carolina are quoted and published for the information of the electors and the instruction of the Managers:

"Sec. 8. Each box shall be provided with a sufficient lock and shall be publicly opened and inspected to show that it is empty and secure and lock-d just before the opening of the poll. The key shall be returned to the Managers, and the box shall not be opened during the election. Each box shall be labeled in plain and distinct Roman letters with the office or offices voted for, and the managers, on the demand of the voter, shall be required to read to him the names on the boxes. At each precinct a space or enclosure, such as the Managers of election shall deem fit and sufficient shall be raised off or otherwise provided with an opening at one end or side for the entrance of the voter, and an opening at the other for his exit, as a voting place in which to hold the election for the State, Circuit, County and Federal offices. And the ballot box shall be so located as to be in view of persons outside of the polling place during the time of voting." The Federal and State Managers respectively shall also place their several boxes at sufficient distance from each other as in their judgment may be necessary.

"Sec. 9. At the general election for the year 1896, and all special elections thereafter held up to the first of January, A. D. 1898, the Managers of Election shall require of every elector offering to vote at such election, before allowing him to vote, in addition to the production of a registration certificate, proof of the payment of poll tax six months before said election of any poll tax then due and payable. The production of a certificate or of the receipt of the officer authorized to collect such taxes shall be conclusive proof of the payment thereof."

In Section 5 it is provided: "And in case all of the Managers shall fail to attend at the time and place appointed for holding such poll, or shall refuse or fail to act, or in case no Manager has been appointed for such poll, it shall be lawful for the voters present at the voting precinct place on that day to appoint from among the qualified voters of such precinct the Managers to act as Managers in the place and stead of the absent Managers, and any one of the Managers so appointed shall administer the oath to the other Managers: Provided, That in case the legally appointed Managers attend in a reasonable time, they shall take charge of and conduct the election."

The polls will be opened at 7 a. m., on Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1896, and will close at 4 p. m.

The Managers hereby appointed for each precinct may also appoint a clerk to assist them who shall take the prescribed oath before the chairman of the board.

The Managers herein named are hereby notified of their appointment as herein set forth. The commissioners will hold another meeting on Friday, the 30th day of October, at which time the Managers will please call for boxes, instructions, etc., and also to take the prescribed oath. Five boxes to be at each polling place.

W. P. WELDON, Chairman, EDWIN WILSON, A. G. WARREN, Clerk, Commissioners of Election.

Oct. 20.

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